UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Address to: **Box PATENT APPLICATION** **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** **Washington, DC 20231**	**Attorney Docket No.** FDC 0140 PUS
	Inventor(s) or Application Identifier: Cassandra J. Mollett

1. This application entitled <u>SYSTEM AND METHOD OF DETERMINING COLLECTABILITY</u> <u>IN A DISTRIBUTED NEGATIVE FILE</u> is:

   a.   <u>X</u>   A new application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b).

   b.   ___   A ___ continuation ___ divisional or ___ continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of prior application Serial No. ___/_____ filed on _____, entitled _____.

Application elements and other attached papers:

2.   <u>X</u>   Specification (incl. Claims and Abstract)   [Total Pages <u>12</u>]

3.   <u>X</u>   Drawings (___ informal <u>X</u> formal)   [Total Sheets <u>1</u>]

4.   ___   Oath or Declaration

   a.   ___   Newly-executed

   b.   ___   Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))

5.   ___   Incorporation By Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Item 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6.   ___   This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(4).

   a.   ___   **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:

   _____

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   b.   ___   The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

I hereby certify that this UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL and the documents referred to as attached therein are being deposited on the below date with the United States Postal Service in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" addressed to: Box Patent Application, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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Mail Label No.   <u>EL340896650US</u>

Date of Deposit: <u>December 29, 1999</u>

<u>Sandra Darling</u>
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7. Preliminary Amendment:

    a. ___ A Preliminary Amendment is attached.

    b. ___ Cancel in this application original claims _____ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

    c. ___ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

            "This is a

            ___ continuation

            ___ divisional

            of copending application(s)

            ___ Serial number ___ /_____ filed on _____."

    d. ___ A Petition to Suspend Prosecution For The Time Necessary to File An Amendment (New Application Filed Concurrently) is attached.

8. Small entity status:

    a. ___ A small entity statement is attached.

    b. ___ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.

    c. ___ Is no longer desired.

9. Fee Calculation:

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))	5 -20 =	0	X 18.00	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))	2 -3 =	0	X 78.00	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. §1.16(d))			260.00	0
			BASIC FEE (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a))	690.00
		Total of above Calculations =		690.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)				
		Assignment Recordal Fee	40.00	
			TOTAL =	690.00

10. _x_ A check in the amount of $ 690.00 is enclosed.

11. _x_ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees (or any deficiency therein) to Deposit Account No. 02-3978 :

    a. _x_ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16.

    b. _x_ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

12. Maintenance of Copendency of Prior Application

   ___ A request for extension of time and the appropriate fee have been filed in the pending **prior** application (or are being filed in the prior application concurrently herewith) to extend the period for response until _____.

13. ___ An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is attached, along with the following indicated attachments thereto:

   a. ___ Form PTO/SB/08 (_____ sheet(s))

   b. ___ Copies of references cited

14. ___ Certified copy of priority document(s)

15. _x_ Return Receipt Postcard

16. ___ Other: _____
   _____

17. ___ An Assignment of the invention to _____
   _____

   a. ___ is attached.

   b. ___ was recorded on _____ at Reel _____, Frame _____.

18. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

   _____
   Name of Attorney of Record   Reg. No.

   ___ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

   ___ The power does not appear in the original papers, but was filed on _____.

   ___ A new power has been executed and is attached.

19. Correspondence Address: Please address all future communications to:

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Date _December 29, 1999_   _____
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                             ___ Filed under Rule 34(a)